

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for managing risk related to a security risk event, the method comprising:

receiving information relating to a particular security risk event;

<u>automatically</u> processing, by a computer, the information received to associate the received information with <u>a first set of risk variables</u> related to the particular security risk event;

defining a second set of risk variables related to the particular security risk event, wherein the first set of risk variables and the second set of risk variables are different;

associating a portion of the received information related to the particular security risk event and not associated with the first set of risk variables with the second set of risk variables; and

calculating a security level using the processed information and a set of relationships established between the <u>first set and second set of risk variables</u>.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the security level comprises an indication of an amount of risk that a breach of security may occur relating to the particular security risk event.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the security level comprises a security confidence level indicative of how secure a particular facility can be made relative to the particular security risk event.



- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the security level comprises a security confidence level of how secure a particular practice can be made relative to the particular security risk event.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the security level comprises a security maintenance level indicative of a level of security that should be maintained in relation to the particular security risk event.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 additionally comprising the step of:

generating a suggested security measure according to the security level and processed information.

- 7. (Original) The method of claim 6 additionally comprising the step of: storing the information received, the security level and the suggested security measure.
 - 8. (Original) The method of claim 6 additionally comprising the step of: receiving information relating to security measures executed; and generating a security diligence report.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8 wherein the security diligence report comprises inquiries made relating to the particular security risk event and security measures executed responsive to the security level.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6 wherein the suggested security measure comprises physical protection of media containing information relating to the particular security risk event.



- 11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, wherein the suggested security measure comprises physical protection of a facility associated with the particular security risk event.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, wherein the wherein the suggested security measure comprises physical protection of a building associated with a business transaction.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the suggested security measure action comprises notifying an authority regarding a potential breach of security.
 - 14.(Original) The method of claim 6 additionally comprising the step of:

branding the suggested security measure according to the set of relationships between the risk variables.

- 15. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein level of analysis utilized in the calculation of the security level is rated according to a classification.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the calculation comprises a level of weighting associated with a category of risk variables.
 - 17.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the calculation comprises aggregating multiple weightings of the <u>first and second sets of risk</u> variables.
- 18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the calculation comprises a relationship algorithm that determines which of the <u>first and second sets of</u> risk variables affects others of the <u>first and second sets of</u> risk variables.
 - 19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the calculation includes a relationship algorithm comprising how data including a first variable can affect a weighting for a second variable.



20. (Original) The method of claim 1 additionally comprising the step of:

recalculating the security level responsive to new information received.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 additionally comprising the step of:

recalculating the security level responsive to progression of a chronology of particular security risk events.

22. (Currently Amended) A computerized system for managing risk related to a particular security risk event, the system comprising:

a computer server accessible with a system access device via a communications network; and

executable software stored on the server and executable on demand, the software operative with the server to cause the system to:

receive information relating to the particular security risk event;

<u>automatically process</u>structure the information received <u>to associate the received</u> <u>information with according to a first set of risk variables related to the particular security risk event;</u>

define a second set of risk variables related to the particular security risk event, wherein the first set of risk variables and the second set of risk variables are different;

associate a portion of the received information related to the particular security risk event and not associated with the first set of risk variables with the second set of risk variables; and

calculate a security level using the structured information and a set of relationships established between the risk variables.



23.(Original) The computerized system of claim 22 wherein the data is gathered via an electronic feed.

24. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium having computer executable program instructions residing thereon, the computer-readable medium comprising:

instructions to receive information relating to a particular security risk event;

instructions to structure automatically process the information received according to associate the received information with a first set of risk variables related to the particular security risk event;

instructions to define a second set of risk variables related to the particular security risk event, wherein the first set of risk variables and the second set of risk variables are different;

instructions to associate a portion of the received information related to the particular security risk event and not associated with the first set of risk variables with the second set of risk variables;

and

instructions to calculate a security level using the structured information and a set of relationships established between the risk variables.

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